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REMARKS

The Office Action of 07/10/2006 has been carefully considered. Reconsideration and allowance in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims 5, 6 and 9 were indicated as containing allowable subject matter, which indication is appreciatively acknowledged.

REPLACEMENT SHEETS 1-4 are submitted herewith as required.

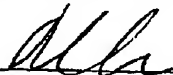
Claims 1-4, 7, 8 and 10 were rejected as being anticipated by King, and being anticipated by Redfern. Claims 1 and 10 have been amended to more clearly distinguish over the cited references. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

In particular, claims 1 and 10 have been amended to recite a *continuous-time* operational amplifier.

Both King and Redfern relate to discrete-time operational amplifiers, as described in the Background section of the present application (paragraph 0013). Claims 1 and 10 as amended are therefore believed to patentably define over the cited references.

Allowance of claims 1-10 is therefore respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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